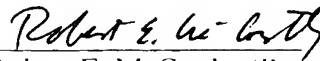


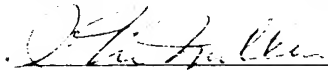
**REMARKS**

The principal purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to eliminate multiply dependent claims and the fee associated therewith. Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce claims to cancelled subject matter.

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**VERSION TO SHOW MARKED UP CLAIMS**

1. (Amended) A transparent ~~Transparent~~ composition comprising, by weight, the total being 100%:

5 to 40% of an amorphous polyamide (B) which results ~~essentially~~ from the condensation of at least one optionally cycloaliphatic diamine, of at least one aromatic diacid and optionally of at least one monomer chosen from:

$\alpha,\omega$ -aminocarboxylic acids,  
aliphatic diacids,  
aliphatic diamines.

0 to 40% of a supple polyamide (C) chosen from copolymers containing polyamide blocks ~~and~~, polyether blocks and copolyamides.

0 to 20% of a compatibilizer (D) for (A) and (B),

(C) + (D) is between 2% and 50%.

with the condition that (B) + (C) + (D) is not less than 30%, and

the difference to 100% is made up with ~~being~~ a semi-crystalline polyamide (A).

2. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to claim 1, wherein ~~in which~~ (A) is derived from the condensation of a lactam containing at least 9 carbon atoms, of an  $\alpha,\omega$ -aminocarboxylic acid containing at least 9 carbon atoms or of a diamine and a diacid wherein ~~such that~~ the diamine or the diacid contains at least 9 carbon atoms.

3. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, in which ~~wherein~~ (A) is ~~PA11~~ PA-11 or ~~PA12~~ PA-12.

4. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein ~~in which~~ (A) is an equilibrated polyamide.

5. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to ~~any of the preceding~~ claims claim 1, wherein ~~in which~~ the amorphous polyamide (B) comprises a cycloaliphatic diamine.

6. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to ~~any one of the preceding claims claim 1, in which~~ comprising (C) and wherein (C) is a copolymer comprising polyamide blocks and polyether blocks.

7. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to claim 6, wherein ~~in which the copolymer containing polyamide blocks and polyether blocks consists of are~~ PA-6 or PA-12 ~~PA-6 or PA-12~~ blocks and the polyether blocks are polytetramethylene glycol (PTMG) ~~PTMG~~ blocks.

8. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to ~~any one of Claims claim 1 to 5, in which~~ comprising (C) and wherein (C) is a copolyamide.

9. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to ~~any one of the preceding claims claim 1, in which~~ wherein (A) is PA-12 ~~PA-12~~ and comprising (D) wherein (D) is PA-11 ~~PA-11~~.

10. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to ~~any one of the preceding claims claim 1, in which the compatibilizer~~ comprising (D) and wherein (D) is a catalyzed polyamide.

11. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to ~~any one of the preceding claims claim 1, in which~~ wherein (A) is PA-12 ~~PA-12~~ and comprising (D) wherein (D) is a catalyzed PA-11 ~~PA-11~~.

12. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 11, in which~~ claim 1, wherein the proportion of (B) is between 10% and 40%.

13. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to claim 12, wherein ~~in which~~ the proportion of (B) is between 20% and 40%.

14. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to ~~any one of the preceding claims,~~ claim 1, wherein the proportion of (C) + (D) is between 5% and 40%.

15. (Amended) The composition ~~Composition~~ according to claim 14, ~~in which~~ wherein the proportion of (C) + (D) is between 10% and 40%.

16. (Amended) An article ~~Articles~~ ~~consisting of a composition according to any one4 of the preceding claims, such as plates, films, sheets tubes and profiles, to the articles obtained by injection moulding and in particular to the films and sheets which are then bonded onto skis~~ produced by injection-molding a composition according to claim 1.

17. (Amended) The article ~~Articles~~ according to claim 16, wherein said article is ~~which are decorated, for example by sublimation, and coated with a transparent protective layer, consisting of the composition according to any one of Claims 1 to 15.~~